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Lizzie T. Andrews.

years are but moments of life
in the thread of life's drive.
Even all in robes days
through many paths and byways
all associations we glide along—
Reaching out as a mighty strong
To the great throbbing heart—Love—
form,
From which each heart and soul is
born.

The old, silently slipped away
the aged memories of the past,
the new, born again of today
the links in the chain that will last.

looking up and onward ever.

The golden bonds of friendship won,
With noble deeds and valiant action
done.

This the watchword for you and me,
Love and duty its mission shall be.
Each heart in joy will sweetly thrill
The soul in peace shall its measure
fill.

and all as with loving accord
Walk together the river to feed—
Bringing to earth in joyous train
Heaven's harmony in sweet refrain.

Faith looks beyond the shadows dim,
Love sees heaven and love within,
Thus shall we all at duty's quest
Follow the right, it is always best.

great vision, now in shadows dim
shall see the light. Love can only
win.

OPENING OF UNITY CHURCH

The initial convocation at Jordan Hall, at beginning of another season, always looked forward to with anticipation and greatly enjoyed in retrospect. But on Sunday morning, Oct. 4, the beauty and value of the service was greatly enhanced by the presence upon the platform of Dr. Warne, our national president, and his queen of inspiration, Mrs. Elizabeth Harlow Goetz, to whom the pastor, Rev. F. A. Wiggin courteously waived his own efforts and postponed his personal greeting to his people until the following Sabbath. He did, however, briefly allude to his travels and work during the summer, finding everywhere that his hearers were very intelligent concerning the higher aspects and true meaning of Spiritualism. And that is what Spiritualism is in this world for—to spiritualize humanity.

He emphasized the song of joy that seemed singing itself everywhere on his beautiful day, and yet it contained one little minor note, a very conspicuous one also, in the absence of our president, Dr. Lane and the cause of his absence, from illness, but Mr. Wiggin trusted the danger to his life past, and that he is now on the road to health, his suffering allayed which soon will finally pass like a mist in the night. The power of the spirit sufficient for this and we, as body, must unite in exercising this God-given power in his behalf. He then paid a graceful tribute to a silent guest on the platform, the national treasurer, Mr. Cassius L. Stevens of Pittsburgh, Pa., in whose home society, Mr. Wiggin performed some of his first labors in the cause of Spiritualism, received there his sheepskin of ordination, and had some amusing experiences. On one occasion the hall was so crowded that the speaker, could not get into it save by soliciting the services of an officer to push his way up the stairs. Ridicule and false representation by the public press only increased his popularity.

Mr. Wiggin then introduced that very gifted speaker and co-worker, Mrs. Elizabeth Harlow Goetz, who began her work about the time that our strong sister, Clara Banks passed from earth. Mrs. Goetz began her brief address by saying: "As I sat here I thought of the first time I ever appeared in Boston, in Berkeley Hall, when I was very young in the work, was chaperoned by Dr. Storer and it was under his guardianship that I lived my first engagement. I see only two faces in this audience, two sisters, whom I met then; some of you have come to know since. This day is set apart to pray for peace and certainly Spiritualists, above all denominations or people, can take their place in pleading for peace more conscientiously than any other people. The saying of the gospel of theology 'I come to bring a sword,' but the gospel of Spiritualism is a gospel of light, moving on through reason and love and their application. The great example that we are making effort before the world is one marked only by peace, by all of life's best efforts and power. As the poet has said 'Great truths are dearly bought, the price of liberty is vigilance.' Not one of us who has won peace as a treasure, but has paid a great price

for it. It is those who have lived long in the system of orthodoxy who have come out of it with great jewels, in noble setting, through the unfoldment of the spiritual or higher nature. How alert we must be to persevere, how constantly on guard must the higher self be." Maeterlinck has referred to the great shadow man bearing over the shoulder of the human, to direct its action, and our great searchings has been to find the great standard of a common brotherhood, that will put into action some of the higher expression of life's powers.

The great name that has been sought against prejudice and the ignorance of public opinion was nobly waged by our greatest war-horse, Amelia Colby Luther who went out to make real a more conscious work in Spiritualism, while her soul touched with a great consciousness that high religious inspiration of Thomas Paine. "The world is my country and to do good is my religion," and here in this Hub of the Universe, as it has been called, your Elise has proclaimed a religion of humanity. Implying a religion of doing good, the larger universal church of a greater brotherhood. A little Russian girl also, Mary Anton, gave out in her Ford Hall address of last winter, the gospel of your Declaration of Independence. These are some of the treasures brought to bear in the consciousness of this hour of time. A spiritual expression is bursting forth in this twilight hour of kingdoms and of kings, this terrible onslaught, this awful tragedy which marks the death throes of religious bigotry. We Spiritualists, who have caught the higher note can carry it on, covering the battle field with flowers, healing the aching hearts and lifting up the heads that are bowed down. In our hands, even though we are unconscious of it today, lies the power to unfold a soul consciousness, a spiritual progress, in the real home of the God of Liberty, the scales of justice hanging perfectly equitable, till at last the world is one country and there is only one religion, that of the Christ illumination, doing as well as being, a forceful activity. You, as Spiritualists, you as lovers of liberty, are mighty dynamos, of determination of righteous effort. The tragedy is terrible, the opportunity is marvellous, but through all the sorrows and afflictions of the present time, the jewels should outnumber them again and again."

In the limited time devoted to the morning service, Dr. Warne in his usual eloquent, forceful manner said: "There are a number of reasons why I like to visit Unity Church. In the first place, I am proud of it, proud of its pastor, its officers and people, but this morning there is another reason for especial pride. My good wife, who has accompanied me in many of my travels over the country, early came to this conclusion about Spiritualists that they never begin on time and never know when to stop after they get started. But this Unity Church is one of the places which will fill her ideal, for it begins on time and closes punctually, whether we have got through talking or not. I too, must express my deep regret that our good, genial Dr. Lane is not with us, and I join most heartily with those who send out to him thoughts of health and strength."

I want to give you as a lesson, an incident that happened in one of our public schools, in the Ghetto district. A teacher had labored hard to teach one of her pupils the mystery of fractions, by every method at her command, and finally thinking she had succeeded, she called up the boy and questioned him. His mind was an entire blank. So she tried a practical question: "If Ikey had eight pennies and should lose three, how many would he have left?" After much deliberation the boy replied: "Why should Ikey lose three pennies?" thus displaying his racial proclivities. He was familiar with addition and multiplication, but not with subtraction. And as I study the Spiritualists of the entire country, they seem thoroughly familiar with subtraction but know too little of addition and multiplication. As a people we have practiced subtraction long enough. Let us beat it out, and move to the front addition and multiplication, adding ourselves to the Cause, adding our personal interests, which will be more in influence than all fault finding in past years. In our coming to Boston, from Michigan, Pennsylvania, Illinois and California, I trust you will all grasp the thought that we can build by addition and multiplication.

I never faced a Convention that I was not proud of it, wherever I have livened for a season, but we are here to help Boston and New England, to aid them to get a better grasp of Spiritualism and what Spiritualism is. Gen. Winfield Scott, once in leading a Canadian invasion at Chippewa, ordered out his soldiers on dress parade and didn't suppose it would be anything more, but Gen. Brown detected an ambushed enemy, secreted behind the bushes and galloped back to inform Gen. Scott. As his troops struck the bridge at Street

Creek and the now famous stand-off took, he changed his affirmation "We are not only Indians nations," to "My God, they are Regulars." I hope we shall be able to bring to this great centre of civilization and "a New England a knowledge of what Spiritualism is and who Spiritualists are, not 'rare militia' nor 'regulars,'" after all. Don't depend on what they say in the newspapers, which prints of Spiritualism what it would not say of Orthodoxy or Protestantism, papers in Chicago reporting of my words I never uttered. Part of your duty as Spiritualists is to know what the work is and how it is done. Let us grasp the meaning of our duty for the week, let us move nearer together, let us help Skipper Wissell to Welsh anchor and get out of the harbor to start on a successful cruise for another year helping everyone to do better work than ever before. May God and the angels bless each and every one of you, and may your labors become more fruitful than they have ever been before."

Previous to the benediction, Mr. Wissell voiced a brief greeting to other visitors in the audience, a notable guest being Hon. A. M. Griffin, the abolitionist, who has so grandly defended the cause of persecuted mediums in Chicago, another from a greater distance—M. Prieto of Cuba. Edgar Emerson, our old time prominent medium, now restored to health, was likewise present and Pierre O. Kehler, the noted state writer of Washington, D. C.

The evening audience taxed the capacity of the large auditorium to its utmost, and the service was as full of interest as a nut is of meat. Dr. Warne was the first speaker and spoke of the difficulty of saying much in a short time. He drew many lessons from the Bible and the emphasis laid upon the fact that the spiritual demonstrations therein related were all given through the agency of angels, who were once human beings, and not directly from God. He claimed the great philosopher and leader of theology, Paul, to be a medium, inspired and controlled by Jesus. In closing, he said "the burden of all religion is centred in our duty to our fellow men and not in a miraculous system of Truth." Life is not conclusion; a sequel lies beyond, invisible as music, but positive as sound.

Mrs. Goetz was then introduced as one who was born and spent her girlhood days in New England. She took her theme from ideas expressed by Maeterlinck in a recent article on Premonitions, and gave a philosophical delineation of the records made on the inner consciousness by the true spiritual, often called the subliminal or subconscious self. No philosophy can exceed Spiritualism; there is nothing more important than to study what it teaches.

Mrs. M. E. Cadwallader, the editor and owner of the Progressive Thinker, was the next speaker. She asked "why is it that people have left their homes and their work and travelled 3000 miles to reach Boston?" Not for money or for frivolous things, but because their eyes have been opened to see that there is no death and there are no dead. Spiritualists are the happiest of people, for they have learned something no other religion can teach, and so these representatives from various states which we see in the audience this evening have come so far to tell us of their joy and what Spiritualism has done for us."

The all too brief seance by the pastor, Rev. F. A. Wiggin, which followed, was clear-cut and brilliant, the messages strong and in some instances startling. This feature closed a Red Letter Day for Unity church. S. C. C.

A HERETIC'S CREED.

Let him who would raise himself to communion with what is highest and best in his own soul, or in the universe, labor for our father Man who is with us.

That his name may be counted holy among men:

That his Kingdom may come, the Kingdom of the light and right, in which there shall be no more priest or Caesar;

That his will may be done in fact, as it is in the ideal world;

That with him we may day by day make good our daily step of progress;

That our trespasses may not be forgiven, but repaired; for there is no sin but sin against Man;

That our common efforts may lead us out of darkness and deliver us from the deceiver.

For Man's is the light, and the right, and the striving upwards, from the beginning to the end of the ages.

W. K. Clifford.

Truth Seeker.

God is light, and if God be in us an active principle so as to rule our whole individuality, we shall be filled with His light as well as His life and wisdom and all the intelligence necessary to bring us into that higher state, if we will but work for it.

M. H. C.

N. S. A. RECEPTION

The social reception which the officers of the National Association hold each year to its delegates, and guests, is always a brilliant and agreeable affair, and the function celebrated in this city on Monday evening, Oct. 1, was no exception to the usual rule. The Hotel Lenox being selected as National Headquarters for management very kindly devoted the purpose of the reception. Its atmosphere, elegantly decorated Palm Garden, used likewise as a dining room for its large clientele of gaiety, but vacated and transformed for this occasion. In connection therewith the large hotel lobby was utilized by the visitors, who were too numerous for any one room to hold. Here were stationed a group of lady ushers dressed in white, with yellow ribbons (the color badge of our faith), streaming from the left shoulder. These were Mrs. H. C. Berry, Miss S. C. Clark, Mrs. F. B. Daniels and Mrs. Anna R. Smith, Mrs. Alice Hubbard, Mrs. Wm. Sanborn, who introduced the guests to each other, and, when necessary, conducted them down the receiving line. Mr. F. M. Goodhue, sergeant-at-arms, ably officiating in this capacity.

About 8 o'clock, the official board, with their worthy wives in glad array, and solitary husband, took their places in front of the platform which had been placed in position for our use and after the officers of the State Association had greeted them, they rendered their cordial hand clasps to an array of guests numbering 800 to 900 people, who passed in review before them. When this feature of the reception was at last concluded, a spirited selection of song was rendered by the Temple Male Quartette, which was in attendance all the evening, and responded gracefully to a hearty encore at the beginning of the evening's festivities.

The literary and oratorical part of the reception began with a warm address of welcome by Rev. F. A. Wiggin, president of the State Association, to the delegates and guests to which President Warne made a fitting response. The next speaker was "the wisest man on the Board, Mr. J. P. Whitwell of Minnesota, followed by the busiest executive, Mr. George W. Kates. At this time Mr. W. J. Colville entered the room and when called to the platform, received a most enthusiastic welcome. He spoke with his usual power and closed with an inspirational poem. New Hampshire was next heard from in the person of Edgar W. Emerson. The Green Mountain State was represented by Mr. A. F. Hubbard of Queen City Park Camp, Cala., by C. A. Buss of San Diego, Cal. Miss S. C. Clark spoke briefly, followed by the only woman on the Board, Mrs. Elizabeth Harlow Goetz. Miss Lillian Whiting was called for, but had left the hall. Mr. J. B. Hatch next came to the platform, Del Herrick, and Mrs. E. O. Kaline, President of the Ladies' Aid Society, which closed the speaking, the Temple Quartette adding a concluding vocal selection.

A pleasing courtesy was the gift by the Ladies' Aid society of a box of confectionery to every lady delegate. The toilettes of the guests were many of them of great richness and beauty, the social greetings were cordial and hearty, and the reception ended at 10:30, leaving every one in earnest readiness to engage in the convention work of the coming week. Dr. Warne announced as the motto of this convocation that "Nobody has a right to knock until he has first knocked."

S. C. C.

AN EXPOSITION OF THE DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES.

Five: we affirm that communication with the so-called dead is a fact scientifically proven by Spiritualism.

This is an era of progress and of science. To the thinking man nothing is true unless proven beyond all doubt by the most scientific means possible. To scientifically prove the existence of the Unseen may seem an impossible and utterly hopeless task, yet this is exactly the stand that Spiritualism takes and this is what we as Spiritualists believe.

No other religious system has undergone the scrutiny that Spiritualism has undergone, and come forth from the investigation stronger than before. The belief in spirit communication has been put to the most critical and searching tests. Men like Wallace, Crooker, Varley, Lombroso and Hare have tested the so-called phenomena of spirit return by the most accurate instruments, the most scientific apparatus and have been convinced, often against their wills.

The idea of spirit communication is the fundamental basis of our religion. In it are gathered all the tenderness and love, all the consolation and hope that man can desire. It is natural indeed that man should desire to communicate with his loved ones and friends, if he knows that they exist, and are near at hand to comfort and to aid him. This great comfort,

Spiritualism affords, not as a theory or a "belief" but as a proven fact attested to by thousands. It was the accuracy of one of these communications from a friend that convinced the writer of the sublime truth of spirit return and communications. All over the land there are others who have been convinced in a like manner. The descriptions are too accurate, the messages too natural for the medium to have concocted them from his own brain. No Spiritualism does more than theorize or affirm, it proves beyond a doubt that our loved ones do return and speak to us, giving us messages of hope and cheer. We are not asked to believe this, we have it in our own power to prove it. The attempts to explain away the wonderful "phenomena" of Spiritualism have failed, one and all. It has undergone the searching scrutiny of men of science, honest sincere (and often sceptical) and has emerged triumphant from the test.

We in this age of science need not apologize for holding unscientific opinions for Spiritualism is not merely the religion of reason, it is also the religion of Science which, entering more and more into the physical realms is slowly but surely lighting the dark places, destroying error and superstition and paving the way for one Universal Religion which will be in all its essentials that system which we know today as Spiritualism.

Frank H. Andrew.

MORRIS PRATT INSTITUTE.

Broadening Its Usefulness — The field of influence of the Morris Pratt Institute at Whitewater, Wisconsin, is being very wisely broadened. Its directors have initiated a Home Correspondence Course of study conducted under the direction of the new Principal, Prof. S. E. Higgins, with whom the other teachers of the school will co-operate. This step is taken so as to conform to the growing demand for a share in the preparatory, or finishing, privileges of the school made by Spiritualists and free thinkers in different sections of the country, who because of remote residence, domestic or financial reasons are unable to become personal attendants at White-water.

The prescribed course will cover two school years of thirty-four weeks each, the same time required of resident students. All enrolled in this new department will be examined upon the work done by them and will be graded upon the merits of the papers they at fixed times submit to the faculty for correction and approval.

At the head of the branches to be taught come: Proper English, Study of Religion and Science, Mediumship and its Laws, which are earnestly recommended for mastery by every Novitiate of the Correspondence Course, and especially by all who have in view work in the public field of Spiritualism.

In addition to the three first named, special lessons will be furnished upon the following subjects: Spiritualism of the Bible, Stenography and Typewriting, Bookkeeping, Commercial English and Letter Writing, Commercial Law, Parliamentary Law.

The annual fee for the three first named studies will be twenty-five dollars and fifty dollars for all the above named branches, or any seven of them.

Students completing the first three, or more, of the nine branches, will be granted a certificate of the work done by them, bearing upon its face the degree of efficiency attained by the holder in each study. Any person wishing to be enrolled a member of the Morris Pratt Institute Correspondence Course should write at once to Prof. S. E. Higgins, Whitewater, Wis., for full particulars, stating whether they wish special studies or the complete course.

One half of each fee therefor is payable on enrollment, and the balance at the middle of the school year.

This new department is not only open to young men and women but to those of adult years as well. Mediums and laymen are alike offered a valuable opportunity for systematic mental training, and acquisition of rich funds of special information, and a better understanding of their own latent powers, all under the supervising counsels of very competent teachers.

Well chosen text books are recommended to supplement the lessons by the several teachers.

Why not enroll yourself at once for a Correspondence Course and tell your acquaintances about it?

George B. Warne, Pres. M. P. I.

The Hypocrite.

The divine punishment of hypocrisy is fatiguing. Those, in Shakespeare's fine simile, whose hearts are all as false as stairs of sand, must really have much of that exhausted sensation that comes of walking through sand when it is loose and deep. The hypocrite is that unluckiest of actors who is never out of a job.—G. K. Chesterton.

SUMMER LAND CAMP MEETING, CALA.

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To the Editor.—My friends at Lily Dale will remember, that at the close of the meeting there, I left hurriedly for the West, in order to fill my engagement as musical director at the Summerland Camp meeting held at Summerland, California. It now gives me pleasure to report to the public, through the Spiritualist Press, the great and harmonious success of that meeting. The session at the Summerland Camp began on Sunday, September 12th, and closed Sunday, September 20th. The meetings were held under the auspices of the First Spiritualist Association of Summerland, California. An association that owns a beautiful temple, and other property worth over five thousand dollars. The officers of the association are A. L. Boisguin, president; Mrs. M. A. Spring, vice-president; Mr. Solon Smith, secretary; Mr. James Merritt, treasurer; Mrs. Amilia Smith; Mrs. Hannah Siple, Thomas W. Haley and Stuart Darling, trustees. These officers made every preparation for the meeting, and supplied a splendid program, which being carried out, made one of the most successful meetings held at this place for years. The association was favored this year in having an exceptionally able corps of speakers and message mediums. Our staff of workers consisted of Rev. Oscar A. Edgerly, Rev. John G. Patis and Rev. Lucius Colburn, lecturers and Mrs. Florence Edgerly, George Francis and Mrs. Mary C. Winchell as message mediums.

The guides of Mr. Edgerly, through his mediumship, gave us five wonderfully eloquent and instructive lectures. Every word spoken by him was highly appreciated by our people. Mr. Patis, one who has come before the Spiritualist public at a recent date, is doing a very effective work. His masterful treatment of Biblical texts reminding one of the methods of Moses Hull. Lucius Colburn, eloquent, earnest and honest, not only in his rostrum work helped the camp, but by labor in the entertainments and by meetings did much to make the meeting a financial success. Mrs. Florence

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SECRETARIES OF SOCIETIES.

All reports of meetings except those containing a synopsis of a lecture, must be confined to not more than 200 words.

Secretaries of Societies are requested to write on one side of paper only, and to write plainly.

OUR CORRESPONDENTS.

As the "Banner" is printed on Wednesday each week, we must have all notices of society meetings in this office by Tuesday morning if they are to appear in print that week. Otherwise we must hold them over till the next week.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

Obituary notices of twenty lines will be printed free; 5 cents per line will be charged for notices exceeding twenty lines.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10, 1914

When a man holds his proper station in life, he does not gape after things beyond it.—Epictetus.

SCULPTURED SUGGESTIONS.

During his eloquent address last Sunday evening in Jordan Hall, President Warne referred to three notable monuments which he had seen, and whose inscriptions lingered in his memory. One he often paused beside, in Indianapolis, was erected to the memory of Benjamin F. Harrison, once the President of these United States, which bears only this inscription:

"The lives of great men do not go out; they go on."

We Spiritualists, from our added light, can affirm with confidence and knowledge: "The lives of no men go out; they all go on."

On Pennsylvania avenue, in Washington, D. C., stands another memorial to the life and labors of Benjamin Franklin, which are tersely recorded on the four sides, by the four distinctive words. Printer, Patriot, Philanthropist, Philosopher. To have won these noble encomiums, bespeaks the greatness of his rich and wonderful life. He himself once prepared his obituary which should have been engraved on this marble.

The body of Benjamin Franklin lies here, food for worms. Like an old book with contents torn out, stripped of its binding and gilding; the work itself will not be lost as he believes, but will appear again in a new and beautiful edition, connected and revised by the author.

Another noted monument, about 20 miles out from New York City, honors the name of Thomas Paine that slowly but surely is emerging from the mark and care of abuse stamped upon it in its true place. This bears an inscription from his own pen:

"I believe in one God and no more, and I hope for happiness after this life. I believe that our religious duties are just to be good and endeavor to make our fellow creatures happy."

This, the speaker thought, expressed an entire system of a perfect religion, the burden of all religious conduct in our duty to our fellow men and not a merciless system of theology.

Many sermons could be written

from the forceful texts of these three lives. Now is the day and the hour, when the opportunity is ours to win our worthy records of noble achievement. For, as the poet has beautifully expressed it:

"Lives of great men all remind us.
We can make our lives sublime,
And departing, leave behind us
Footprints on the sands of time."

As the Banner goes to press (Wednesday) the 22d annual convention of the N. S. A. is being held in Convention Hall. It is one of if not the largest and most harmonious conventions ever held by the Association. Every one is bubbling over with good will and enthusiasm. At the morning and afternoon sessions yesterday the 200 delegates to the convention, representing spiritualists from every section of the United States, transacted routine business.

Dr. George B. Warne of Chicago, president of the National Spiritualists' Association, presided at all of the sessions.

Nearly twelve hundred people were present last evening in Convention Hall in the first night session of the 22d annual convention of the National Spiritualists' Association of America. The Rev. Thomas Grimshaw of Chicago, expressed the sentiment of the organization that the European war has proved the fallacy of orthodox Christianity as a force for true civilization.

"This war, better than any other argument which could have been dreamed of, has taught us that the building of mighty standing armies and bigger fleets of dreadnoughts is a miserable fallacy," said the Rev. Mr. Grimshaw.

There is need, great need for spiritualism in this crisis. There is need for mediums and demonstration of the phenomena of spiritualism to bring home to the misguided people of the world the great possibilities and power of man once he realizes his spiritual strength.

Let us work for an international peace which will last down the ages, and let the United States lead the way to disarmament and bring the great world powers to a fast and hard agreement to establish a world judicial court for the arbitration of all disputes, for the policing rather than the military armament of the world."

Del Herrick followed in a spirited discourse. Owing to illness Mrs. Vanderbilt was unable to be present, and Mr. John Slater of Cala, was introduced and gave many remarkable messages. All recognized.

PASSED TO SPIRIT LIFE.

Mrs. Margaret Vere Farrington, only daughter of Mrs. Emma C. and the late Colonel E. C. Farrington of Augusta, Me., passed away Aug. 29 at the Hotel Hemenway, Boston, Mass., after an illness of three months. Mrs. Farrington was born in Fryeburg, Me., and was educated at Fryeburg Academy and in Portland, afterwards studying at Smith College. She early showed ability for writing and published several works of fiction and many short stories but her gradually failing health soon compelled her to give up most of her work in this line. She always took great interest in the affairs of the day, and especially interested in everything that would help humanity. Of a charitable disposition, she will be missed by many, and her intimate friends and relatives realize that a great mind has gone from their midst. She leaves a mother and one daughter.

PERSONAL MENTION.

We had a pleasant call Friday from Wm. Hodgson of Hutchinson, Kansas, who is East visiting his son, Dr. E. R. Hodgson of Stoneham and his brother Dr. T. S. Hodgson of Middleboro and the N. S. Convention.

Mrs. Lizzie B. Webber has returned from her vacation in Maine, and is at her home, 33 Hanson street.

Dr. Warne is a frequent visitor at the Banner office, he is always welcome, the genial Doctor is a great traveler but he does get lost in Boston's streets, but he can find the way—someway.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubbard of Springfield made the Banner a very pleasant call, Monday, Mrs. Hubbard is president of the Ladies' Aid of Springfield, and a delegate to the N. S. Convention.

F. M. Donovan, the Independent Slave Writing Medium, has returned to the city for the winter, and is at his home, 233 West Newton street, where he will be pleased to see his friends.

KIND WORDS.

Mrs. Carrie E. Pinkham writes, "Enclosed is my renewal to the Banner, should miss it very much if deprived of it. I look forward to its coming every Friday. Success and long life for it."

M. L. Andrews: "I am a friend of the Banner and a helper in the cause. I wish it all success."

Mrs. M. L. Kidder: "I think every thing of the Banner and look for it every week and trust it will prosper."

NOTICE.

Lee Hall, 515 Tremont street, Lucy A. Johnson holds a Spiritual Bazaar Thursday evening, Oct. 15. Oct. 15th reception for Indian Guides and Indians who will give an initiation of Indian Peace Council.

L. A. J.

Many sermons could be written

PRIMER CONGRESO INTERNACIONAL ESPIRITISTA BARCELONA 1886.

THREE PRESIDENTS OF THE LIGA RACE FRANCE ITALY AND SPAIN
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LYCEUM DEPARTMENT.

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A NEW RELIGION.

What is Spiritualism founded upon? A natural and scientific basis. What does it bring to the world? The elements of a new and higher integration in answer to a long felt growing need among men—a new religion based upon individual responsibility—not faith in Christ; upon natural law, not miracles.

Where should a line be drawn? That the religion of a people should not be confounded with the theology of a people.

What does the religion represent? The highest spiritual interpretation of man and his relation to life here and hereafter.

What does the theology represent? The established creeds of a materialistic priesthood.

Where is religion?

Sits at the feet of angels to learn spiritual truths.

Where is theology?

Sets bounds to knowledge, cramps the intellect and subjects the intuitions of the spirit to material proscription.

Where is Spiritualism?

There is a new religion for man, and its being so, it must shun creeds and never degenerate into a theology.

What has been the deadly blight of all religion?

Persecution for opinion's sake and in the name of religion it has deluged the land with blood and swept from their loyal labors for truth, millions of innocent martyrs.

What is the result wherever this spirit of persecution is allowed? All spiritual light is turned to darkness, and the angel-world must seek elsewhere for better conditions in which to unfold their divine message to mankind.

What does free-thinking imply? The granting to others to enjoy the same freedom that we claim for ourselves, and when Spiritualists shall have coined this principle into soul growth they will associate themselves for social, business and benevolent purposes.

What should we do for the sake of truth?

Have faith in ourselves. It is not so important that we believe in the divinity of Christ, as that we believe in our own divinity; not so important that we believe in his sacrifice as that we be found strong enough in our spirit to sacrifice the selfishness and lusts of the flesh for the sake of advancement and happiness of humanity.

What can we say of the church?

It has made some progress, but she has done so in self-defence, and has never been the conservative element among men, and has followed along in a century behind the advanced thought of the age.

What can we say of the temperance movement?

In its unpopular infancy the church used it as an infidel movement, and refused to open its doors to its advocates, and often denounced it from the pulpit.

How have all reforms been met?

With the condemnation from the church until accepted by the majority, or were popular enough to make for their interest to accept them.

What was Thomas Paine and his "Age of Reason" to this country?

A great work was done in making free discussion of theological subjects possible in this country, ushering in one of the grandest eras of intellectual progress the world has known.

What is science doing? Fast making known to the masses much truth in regard to the history and formation of the earth and of the origin and development of man.—Alonzo Danforth.

Boston—The opening session of the Children's Progressive Lyceum, No. 1, was held in Dwight Hall Sunday, Oct. 4th, with an unusually large attendance for opening Sunday. Owing to illness our two Guardians, Mrs. M. D. Butler and Mrs. Edith Genther and the secretary, Mr. Geo. Genther were absent, however, all took hold with a will and a fine session was held, we were pleased to have with us Edgar W. Emerson who spoke very pleasing to the children, we were all glad to see Mr. Emerson restored to health, the march was finely executed. The literary exercises were as follows: songs, Miss Lillian Hall, Miss Helen Bradley and Miss Judith Hall; piano solos, Miss Mildred Newcomb, Miss Hazel Vinto and Miss Blanch Hall. Readings, Miss Elizabeth Goodwin and Miss Florence Morgan. Remarks by Mrs. E. M. Shirley, Leo Griswold and Mrs. Ida Newcomb. Words for next Sunday are, "Love Sunshine, Peace." All invited.

The New Bedford Progressive Spiritualist Lyceum met at 2:30 p. m. in Jenny's Hall, Kempton street, and was opened with a poem by the Conductor, Mrs. Ida Janell. Among those taking part was Hazel Hammond, Myrtle Crapo, Walter Tripp, recitations, song by Maggie Worthington and Mrs. Janell. Reading by Gertrude Jackson, Mrs. Gertrude Cisco, Mrs. DeGrasse, and by the school. The service was a Memorial Service for Mrs. Jennie Gibbs, one of the scholars of the Lyceum when it first opened, and also for Jimmie, son of Mrs. Gertrude Cisco, very appropriate remarks were made by the Conductor Mrs. Worthington and Mrs. Chadwick, after which came the usual tribute of flowers in their memory. There was a large attendance and it was one of the best services ever held by the Lyceum. Geo. L. Randall.

SHUT IN.

There is a legend of a house that stands alone amid the eternal calm and stress of tossing waves—narrow windows—set on a storm-swept isle by unknown hands. And of a man who, mid those shifting sands, knows but his single room—a dark abode—yet longs to know, and vaguely seeks to guess what lies beyond the scope his eye commands.

So life may seem a dim, unwindowed room. Wherein we wait with eye upon the latch As if impelled to turn the fatal key; We stand, yet fear to pierce the outer gloom, And ever hear an eager ear to catch The secret of the illimitable—Harper's Weekly.

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Euclid Salad.

Six cooked beets, one Neufchateau cheese, one pimento, one olive, paprika, salt capers and mayonnaise. Select nice bright red beets, not too large; scoop out the centers and fill with the cheese mixed with the pimento to cut in small pieces, olives chopped fine, adding seasonings and enough mayonnaise to make smooth and creamy; put a caper on top, place on a lettuce leaf with a spoon of mayonnaise beside the beet. Garnish with tiny balls of beets rolled in very finely chopped parsley. Serve very cold.

Good Hand Cleanser.

Kerosene will clean your hands better than anything else after blacking a range or stove. Pour a little in the water, wash your hands in it, then wash them in tepid water, and finally with plenty of soap and a stiff nail brush in hot water. Finish up by rubbing the hands with lemon juice, rosewater, or glycerine and water.

To Remove Shine on Cloth.

Take one ounce of lump ammonia and half an ounce of white castile soap; put both in a jug and pour over them one pint of hot water until both are dissolved. Then sponge the cloth with a sponge dipped in the above preparation, which should be slightly warm.

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HANDY TABLE FOR KITCHEN

Having Everything Handy for the Cook Saves Many Steps in the Course of a Day.

First off if there are no shelves above the kitchen table she has some built, also a lower shelf on the table itself. There she stands all mixing bowls for bread and cake; the rolling pin and board stand on the table shelf also. On the shelves above the table are all the necessary provisions for the preparation of meals. There are jars of flour, rice, sugars, spices; there are bottles of olive oil, vinegar, etc., for salads.

Then, hanging from little hooks screwed into the edge of these upper shelves are all the instruments of preparation which will fit into the table drawer. There are can opener, corkscrew, potato masher and many others.

A well-known housewife invented an excellent device to save work. Every cook knows how many dishes are节约 in paring potatoes, fruits and vegetables. This woman had a nice, new, clean refuse pail put on the lower shelf of her kitchen table and directly above it she had a circle of wood cut out of the upper shelf, so that it opened right down into the top of the pail.—Exchange.

PROPER WAY TO MAKE SOUP

Preparation Worthy of More Attention Than Usually is Given to This Part of the Menu.

To get the most out of a soup bone it should be fractured every inch of its length. The soup should never stop cooking from the time it is put on the stove until it is done, although it should at no time boil furiously.

Once the soup is started cooking no water should be added, as this spoils the flavor.

The soup bone should be put into cold water, and no salt should be added until the soup is done, as the salt stops the flow of the juices.

The soup should cook from five to seven hours at least.

All the spices used in a soup should be put in whole—that is, whole black and white peppers, cloves, bay leaves, garlic, etc.

One quart of water should be allowed for every pound of meat and bone, to begin with. This is a rule of the creoles, but they make rich soup. If weaker soup is to be made, or if vegetables as well as meat are used in the stock, the amount of water can be increased.

ADDS TO FLAVOR OF STEAK

For Those Fond of Rich Dishes This Mixture Is One That May Be Recommended.

Take a fillet steak, cut 1 1/4 inches thick. An hour before cooking, place in the following mixture, turning it two or three times: Four tablespoonsfuls of mushroom catup, two teaspoonsfuls of brown sugar, one teaspoonful of chopped parsley, one-quarter of a teaspoonful of pepper, one-half a teaspoonful of salt and four tablespoonsfuls of brown sugar.

After it has lain in this mixture for an hour take it out, drain and dredge it with flour. Broil it or cook in a hot skillet with a large piece of butter for fifteen minutes, covering the skillet to keep in the steam. Remove the steak; add the vinegar mixture to the fat in the pan, boll it up and pour around the steak.

This is delicious served with potato chips.

Ham Croquettes.

Brown one tablespoonful of butter in a saucepan; when well-colored add two tablespoonsfuls of flour and brown again. Then add one cupful of beef stock and stir until thick and smooth. Season to taste with salt and pepper, add ten drops of onion juice and one tablespoonful of mushroom catup, one cupful of boiled rice and one cupful of finely chopped ham. Mix and set away until cold. Then shape into croquettes, dip into slightly beaten egg, roll in dried bread crumbs and fry in smoking hot fat. Serve with tomato or any good brown sauce.

SOCIAL DIRECTORY.

If your society does not appear in this column, it is because you have not sent in your notice.

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The Ladies' Lyceum Union, Boston, Dwight Hall, 514 Tremont St. Services every Wednesday evening at 8 p. m. Supper at 6:30 p. m. Mrs. Wm. S. Butler president.

The First Spiritualist Ladies' Aid Society, Boston, 9 Appleton Hall, Appleton street. Services every Friday evening at 8 p. m. Supper at 6:30 p. m. Mrs. E. B. Kaine, Fordham Court, Forest Hills, Pres.

Boston Co-operative Spiritual Society, Franklin Union Bldg., Berkeley St. Sundays at 2:30 and 7:30 p. m. Mrs. Ellen Jennings, Director. W. L. Clough, Sec.

Spiritualist Phenomena Society and Ladies' Auxiliary, Harmony Hall, 124 Washington street, Boston. Services at 11 a. m. 2:30 and 7:30 p. m. Thursdays, 2:30 p. m. Rev. N. P. Smith, speaker.

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Revel

UNDER THE APPLE TREES.

By James Barton Adams.

Great is the Western grandeur, levels this scenic land.
Filled with entrancing beauties and wonders on every hand,
Bright is the smiling sunshine, fair are the mountain skies,
Sparkling the star world's jewels that set in the darkness rise
And yet there's a quiet yearning these beauties cannot allay;
When memory flashes a picture of a scene that is far away.
And we long for the scent of the blossoms and the hum of the busy bees
Out in the old home orchard, under the apple trees.

Many the years we've wandered far from that dear old place,
Age has impressed its markings deep in the once young face.
Time with relentless fingers scatters the hairs of gray
Over the head then tossed—uncombed as the comb of hair,
But never has age obscured them, nor never has time effaced
The memory pictures of boyhood, of days when we often chased
The butterflies in the clover that waved as the gentle seas,
And played in the old home orchard, under the apple trees.

Great is the West in grandeur here where the mountains rise,
Never was greater beauty arched by the azure skies,
Sweet is the joy of living amid these wonders of God,
Such are the hills in treasure, fruitful the pregnant sand.
And yet there is something lacking: we're longing for but an hour
Distant from where the mountains to the precincts of cloudland tower—
Long for the soothing kisses from lips of the old home breeze.
Out in the old home orchard, under the apple trees.

REPORTS OF SOCIETIES.

(Continued from Page 2.)

Boston—Adèle C. Williams, First Bible Spiritual Church, 446 Tremont street, Tuesday and Friday afternoon healing and message circles, doing a good work and growing in numbers as are our Tuesday evening societies. Sunday, Oct. 4th, the capacity of our hall was again taxed, all day and all of our Banners were sold at the close of our afternoon service. All of the speakers and mediums never did better and I was proud of the many compliments, coming from strangers, saying it was the best meeting they ever attended. All were pleased to greet our dear Bro. Edgar Emerson, who spoke finely. Mr. Herbert Clough handled very ably the subjects given by the audience, "Conscience" and "National Prohibition from a Spiritualists' Standpoint," also gave many messages at all meetings. Our meetings opened by scripture reading and prayer. I was sorry I was unable to call all the mediums present as I always try to do, but come again. Those taking part in above meetings were: Mr. C. H. Harwood, Mr. Herbert Clough, Mr. R. Ross, Mr. J. Bartlett, Mr. Brett, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Foster, Edgar Emerson, Mr. A. A. Kimball, Mr. Raymond Clark, Mr. Chas. Olson, Mrs. Ella Adams, Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. Knowles, Mrs. McKenna, Miss Blanche Desmonde pianist, Mr. J. Bartlett soloist.

Boston—Cooperative Spiritual Society, Franklin Union building, Berkeley street. Today was banner day, hardly an empty chair. It was one of the best meetings I ever attended. The conditions were fine and the speakers and mediums were at their best, Mrs. Stanton, Mrs. Mac Donald, Mrs. Crawford, Mrs. Morgan, Mrs. Mellen, Mrs. Jollimore, Mrs. Emmons, Mr. Parks and Mrs. Jennings all gave good messages. Mr. Cook, Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Shirley all spoke on the spiritual side of Spiritualism. At 1 p.m. opened with a song service led by Mr. Clough, followed by scripture and prayer by our president, Mrs. Jennings. Before the opening ceremonies were over the hall was full and we had to bring in 40 chairs from another hall. Our little society is surely on the gain and we will do all we can to make it interesting for all. Mrs. Morgan, Mrs. McDonald, Mrs. Mellen gave good messages, all recognized. Mr. Chase spoke in his inspiring manner which made us feel that there was something in spiritualism worth living for. Miss Lettie Chase sang a solo "Just for Today." Mr. and Mrs. Clough sang a duet. By request Mrs. Jennings gave 40 minutes to messages. Banners all sold. See ad in next week's Banner for the first entertainment. See.

Boston—Regular meeting of the First Spiritualist Ladies' Aid society, Mrs. Kaine presiding. Report from the fair committee received. Voted to give the N. S. A. Convention the sum of five dollars. Voted to give each delegate a box of candy as a souvenir from the oldest spiritual charitable society. A joyful reunion was held in the evening and after singing and reading of the notices by vice-president Mrs. Clarke, the following speakers were heard: Mrs. Shirley, Mrs. Sears-Hill, Mrs. Waterhouse, Mrs. Berry, Mr. Harry Levenson, Miss Crookshank, Mrs. Daniels. Adjourned for two weeks as it was voted to hold no meeting during the convention.

M. E. Page, Secretary.

Boston—Harmony Hall, 724 Washington street, Tuesday and Thursday, Sept. 29th and Oct. 1st, Rev. Newland P. Smith, pastor. Mediums in attendance were Wm. Smith, Alister Wright, Mr. Clough, Mrs. Sophie Kampf, Mrs. Ida Newcomb, William Palmer, Fred H. Pierce, Elmer Littlefield, W. P. Smith, Sarah M. Thompson, Mrs. Hartzel, Mrs. Rymer gave a poem, Mr. William Brett sang solo, Sunday 11 a.m. meeting opened by Fred H. Pierce as chairman. Mediums present were Fred H. Pierce, Meaveen, Edie Steiner, William Jenkins, Wm. Palmer, Fred H. Miles, Harry Crawford, Mrs. Belle Curran, short talk. 2:30 meeting opened by pastor W. P. Smith, with an address on Peace. Collection of six dollars was taken for the delegate fund. Mediums who took part were, Sarah M. Thompson, Annie Josephine Webster gave inspirational poems, subject taken from the audience. Mother's own Prayer. Mr. Crawford, Chas. Johnson, Wm. Palmer, Mr. Pierce, Anna Whittier, Maureen, Madame Channing. Mrs. Dr. Kenney made an excellent address. Mrs. Curran Health Talk. Recitation by Mrs. Rymer, 1:30 p.m. Scripture lesson by our pastor. All independent messages were given. Mediums present were: Mrs. M. M. Jollimore, Mrs. May Flannery, Mrs. Hartzel, Mrs. Ida Newcomb, Fred H. Pierce. Mrs. Huff a new medium gave excellent messages. Wm. Palmer, pianist.

Boston—Lee Hall, 515 Tremont St., Boston, Rev. Lucy A. Johnson's Spiritual Meetings all day Sunday were fine. Mornings at 11:30 we had with us Mr. Griswold, Maureen, Joseph Bartlett, Mrs. Dr. Kenney. Speakers were, Mr. Colony, Dr. Kenney and Johnson. Afternoon, 2:30, fine attendance. Mediums were Mr. Griswold, Mrs. Conley, Mr. Chase, Blind medium, Prof. Arthur, Mr. Cook and Lucy A. Johnson. Evening, message meeting; larger attendance, opened with song service, scripture reading and prayer by Pastor Lucy A. Johnson. Article readings by Mrs. Dr. Bell, Anna Whittier, Mr. Griswold and Lucy A. Johnson, every article being read. The different mediums throughout the day did extra well. Come to our afternoon and evening meetings through the week. Everybody gets a message and don't forget Thursday evening entertainment and reception for mediums and guides. Banners for sale at door. L. A. J.

Boston—Home Spiritualist Meetings, 604 Tremont street, W. B. Gale, conductor. Our circles were well attended. Circles Wednesday, Friday and Sunday at 8 P. M., Wednesday afternoon at 3 P. M., and on Sunday morning. Conference at 11 A. M. The interest in our meetings increases at each circle and we are pleased to welcome strangers at our Home meetings. Come and be convinced. You will be welcome. Banners of Life on sale at our Wednesday evening.

Malden—Spiritual Endeavor Society, Thursday evening, Oct. 1, the meeting opened with scripture reading by Vice-President Mrs. Eaton. The president, Mrs. Wilson gave the invocation. Excellent addresses by Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. A. P. Conyers and Mr. A. E. Wilson. Spirit communications were voiced by Mrs. Conyers and Mrs. Wilson. Sunday, Oct. 4, we held our first afternoon service of the present season. It being Peace Sunday, the subject of Peace was the theme taken by the different speakers and many were the good thoughts given out on this subject. Those who took part were: Mrs. Wilson, Mr. L. B. Marsh, Mr. Oscar Fitz Allen, Mr. F. Fishburne and Mr. A. E. Wilson. In the evening the meeting opened with scripture reading by Mrs. Eaton and an invocation by Mrs. Wilson. The subject of Peace was again taken up, and many eloquent words were spoken on this subject. We were fortunate in having a number of excellent workers present and the meeting was a grand success in the good thoughts expressed by the speakers and the many comforting messages received. Those who spoke or gave messages were, Mrs. Wilson, Mr. Fitz Allen, Mr. Wilson, Mrs. Lizzie Butler and Mrs. Mabel Page. Sunday, Oct. 11, Mrs. A. P. Conyers will be our speaker at the evening service. Wm. Sanborn.

Everett—Oct. 4, 1914. Spiritual mission meeting opened with song service led by Mr. Quinn. Scripture reading and prayer. Lecture by Mrs. May Bemis that we all appreciated very much. Solo by Mr. Quinn. Poem by Mrs. Nellie Kinsel, speaking and message by Mr. Stiles, duet by Mrs. and Miss Quinn, lecture and message by Mrs. Stranton. The leader, Mrs. Bebris, thanks all mediums and those that helped in the singing and hoped all would come again. Meetings Sunday and Wednesday evenings. See.

Augusta, Me.—The Progressive Spiritualist society opened their meetings for the season of 1914 and 1915 Sept. 20 and 27, Mrs. Nettie Holt Harding as their speaker and message bearer, with the usual results, four good sized audiences. This society was incorporated April 4, 1911.

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